

APPENDIX B

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For: VINYL-CIS-POLYBUTADIENE RUBBER
AND BUTADIENE RUBBER
COMPOSITION USING THE SAME

Examiner: N. M. Nutter

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d) AND §1.97(e)(1)

Enclosed is an Information Disclosure Citation Form PTO/SB/08A and/or 08B in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(1) and (a)(2) listing all patents, publications, applications, and/or other information being submitted for consideration which may be material to the patentability of this application and/or for which there may be a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56. Also enclosed are copies of each of the foreign patents and/or non-patent literature documents cited therein but not copies of any U.S. patents and/or U.S. patent application publications in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2). However, we will provide copies upon request.

Some of the references submitted herewith were cited in an Office Action for Taiwanese Application No. 093138458, a copy of which is attached herewith along with an English translation. Some of the references submitted herewith were cited in the International Search Report for PCT/JP2005/023379 and in the International Search Report for PCT/JP2005/023377, copies of which are attached herewith. Some of the reference submitted herewith (such as

Encyclopedia of Polymers) were cited in a Russian Office Action (copy and translation enclosed) issued on January 26, 2009. A concise statement of relevance for Encyclopedia of Polymers is also enclosed.

At least some of the attached references are of record in U.S. Patent Application No. 10/596,757, filed June 23, 2006, and titled Process for Producing Polybutadiene Rubber and Rubber Composition and in U.S. Patent Application No. 10/596,755, filed June 23, 2006, and titled Rubber Composition.

A Request for Continued Examination has been filed in the present application. Accordingly, no fee is believed due for the filing of the present Information Disclosure Statement. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-1017 (209369.0119).

It is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement and the documents listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08A and/or 08B be considered and acknowledged by the Examiner in connection with the above-identified patent application, be made of record therein, and that the listed document(s) be cited in the issued patent.

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